



Mayor Mark Mallory

City of Cincinnati

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Mayor Mallory Delivers Optimistic State of the City Address

Cincinnati – Mayor Mark Mallory declared tonight that “the state of Cincinnati is strong and we are well prepared to face the challenges of the future.” Tonight, the Mayor delivered his fourth State of the City Address to an energetic crowd of around 900 citizens in the Duke Energy Convention Center’s Grand Ballroom.

Throughout his address, the Mayor pointed to partnerships as the key to the progress in the city, citing specific examples in the areas of job creation, public safety, the environment, neighborhood development, and youth.

“Tonight, as we have reflected on the success of last year, it is clear that our greatest accomplishments are the result of strong partnerships,” Mayor Mallory said. “We have come a long way, but we still have challenges ahead. The way we get through them is through partnerships.” The Mayor closed by calling on all citizens to “be a partner in some effort to positively change Cincinnati.”

Mayor Mallory focused much of the speech on the strength of Cincinnati’s Economy and how the city was prepared to weather the current economic climate. In addition, the Mayor made a strong case for building a Streetcar, arguing that it will bring over a billion dollars of investment to Cincinnati that will provide resources for all of the city’s neighborhoods.

The program began with testimonials by six individuals who have been partners in the City’s success: David Lombardi of the Mayor’s Young Professional Kitchen Cabinet; Jarod Jameson of the MuralWorks Program; Tim Cappell, President of Humana; Christie Bryant of the Avondale Community Council; Dante Ingram, a Streetworker in the Cincinnati Initiative to Reduce Violence; and Kay Geiger, President of PNC Bank.

The speech will be posted on the Mayor’s website: www.mayormallory.com

Attached: The 2009 State of the City Address.

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